

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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MARY MANNING WALSH HOME,	:	:	<u>MEMORANDUM OPINION</u>
Petitioner,	:	:	<u>AND ORDER</u>
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1199 SEIU, UNITED HEALTH CARE WORKERS	:	:	:
EAST,	:	:	:
Respondent.	:	:	:
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JESSE M. FURMAN, United States District Judge:

On March 15, 2013, Petitioner filed a Petition for an Order Confirming Arbitrator's Opinion and Award and Entry of Judgment Thereon. (Docket No. 1). On April 3, 2013, the Court set a briefing schedule for Petitioner's submission of any additional materials in support of the Petition, Respondent's opposition, and Petitioner's reply. (Docket No. 4). Petitioner served Respondents with the Petition, supporting materials, and the briefing schedule. (Docket Nos. 5 & 8). Pursuant to the briefing schedule, Respondent's opposition was due no later than April 24, 2013. (Docket No. 4). To date, Respondent has not appeared in the action for any purpose.

The Court must treat the Petition, even though unopposed, "as akin to a motion for summary judgment based on the movant's submissions." *Trustees for Mason Tenders Dist. Council Welfare Fund, Pension Fund, Annuity Fund & Training Program Fund v. Capstone Const. Corp.*, 11 Civ. 1715 (JMF), 2013 WL 1703578, at *2 (S.D.N.Y. Apr. 19, 2013) (discussing in depth the legal standards for resolving unopposed petitions to confirm arbitration awards). After reviewing the petition and the supporting materials, the Court finds that there is

no genuine issue of material fact precluding summary judgment as to all portions of the Award, as the Arbitrator's decision provides more than "a barely colorable justification for the outcome reached." *Id.* at *3 (internal quotation marks omitted). Nor is there any justification under Section 10(a) of the Federal Arbitration Act for vacating the Award. Accordingly, the Court grants Petitioner's unopposed petition to confirm the entire Award.

Petitioner is directed to submit a proposed Judgment consistent with this memorandum opinion and order to the Orders and Judgments Clerk of this Court by May 6, 2013. Respondent may submit any objections to the proposed Judgment on or before May 8, 2013.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: April 30, 2013
New York, New York



JESSE M. FURMAN
United States District Judge